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For: DATA STORAGE SYSTEM AND PROCESS
By: Lloyd A. POSTON
Our Ref: 24921-20245.00

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1. Transmittal (1 page)
2. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (3 pages)
3. Form PTO/SB/08a/b (1 page)
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	First Named Inventor	Lloyd A. POSTON
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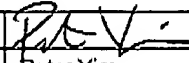
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Examiner: M. Anderson

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98, Applicants submit for consideration in the above-identified application the documents listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08a/b. The copy of the non-patent literature is also submitted herewith. The Examiner is requested to make these documents of record.

The documents listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08a/b were cited in a Supplemental European Search Report mailed on February 06, 2007, directed to a counterpart international or foreign application and have not been previously cited. A certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1) follows:

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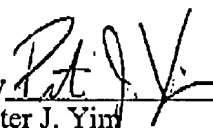
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